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BEIRUT MONDAY MORNIHNG IN ENGLISH 5-11 OCT 87 PP 15-17
//(INTERVIEW WITH SAYYID MUHAMMAD HUSAYN FADLALLAH,
HIZBALLAH SPIRITUAL GUIDE, BY NADIM ABU GHANNAM; PLACE AND
DATE NOT GIVEN))

((TEXT)) ((ABU GHANNAM)) HOW DO YOU EVALUATE THE SPEECH OF PRESIDENT AL-JUMAYYIL AT THE GENEAL ASSEMBLY? WHAT IN YOUR VIEWPOINT WILL BE HIS FUTURE PLAN AND WHAT IMPACT WILL IT HAVE ON THE LEBANESE SCENE?

((FADLALLAH)) IN MY OPINION, THE SPEECH DISCUSSED THE OUTCOME OF THE LEBANESE PROBLEM, BUT DID NOT DISCUSS ITS ROOTS. WE KNOW THAT THE ROOTS OF THE LEBANESE CRISIS, ON THE LOCAL SCENE, ARE THE LACK OF BALANCE IN REAL POWER-SHARING. THE ABSENCE OF JUSTICE IN LEBANON'S GOVERNMENT HAS CREATED A SENSE OF PERSECUTION WITH ONE LEBANESE GROUP FACING ANOTHER GROUP. I DON'T MEAN THE MOSLEMS ALONE, BECAUSE SOME OF THE NON-MARONITE CHRISTIANS FEEL THIS PERSECUTION ON THE POLITICAL LEVEL.

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I IMAGINE THAT THE PRESIDENT AND HIS ENTOURAGE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THIS GRAVE ISSUE, ITS SPREADING AND ITS BYPASSING OF ALL PREROGATIVES. THIS ISSUE IS ONE OF THE FACTORS THAT WAGED MORE THAN A WAR IN LEBANON AND OPENED GAPS FOR THOSE WILLING TO PENETRATE INTO THE LEBANESE SCENE. SOLVING THE LEBANESE CRISIS, THROUGH ISSUING APPEALS FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN ARMIES AND SIDES WHICH ARE EFFECTIVE ON THE LEBANESE SCENE, THAT IS TO SAY THE PALESTINIANS AND IRANIANS, INDICATED THAT THE PRESIDENT THE LEBANESE ISSUE IN A PREACHING AND ORATORICAL MANNER. ((SENTENCE AS PUBLISHED)) SUCH ISSUES ARE LINKED TO THE GENERAL POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE ON THE REGIONAL LEVEL WHICH IS CURRENTLY DOMINATED BY TWO COMPLEXED ISSUES: THE GULF WAR AND THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM. I BELIEVE THAT FACING THE WORLD WITH THE LEBANESE CAUSE REQUIRES A POSITION THAT CONFIRMS TO THE DEPTH OF THE ISSUE AND NOT ON TOPICS OF CONSUMPTION. WE SHOULD NOT DISCUSS THE LEBANESE ISSUE IN THIS MANNER, BECAUSE IT WILL BE TRANSFORMED INTO COMPLAINTS, INSTEAD OF BEING PRESENTED AS A DISCUSSION OF A PROBLEM THROUGH ITS REAL REGIONAL FACTORS. AS FOR WHAT MAY HAPPEN, OR WHAT ARE THE ASPIRATIONS THAT MAY BE ACHIEVED, I BELIEVE THAT THE ISSUE IS TURNING IN A VICIOUS CIRCLE.

WE KNOW THAT THE ARAB SITUATION, AND MOST OF ITS SYMBOLS, CANNOT PRESENT ANYTING TO THIS ISSUE, NOR TO ITS ROOTS WHICH ARE DEEPLY EMBEDDED IN THE PRESENT SITUATION OR IN THE PALESTINIAN CAUSE. HOW CAN THIS PERSON ACHIEVE ANYTHING THROUGH THE ARABS, OR THROUGH THOSE BENEFITTING FROAM THE LEBANESE SCENE, BY ACTIVATING THEIR POLITICAL PLANS? HOW CAN ALL CONTACTS ACHIEVE GREAT RESULTS IN THIS RESPECT? I BELIEVE THAT SOME OF THE REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL POSITIONS WILL RENDER SOME SERVICES ON THE LEVEL OF THE PRESENT CRISIS ESPECIALLY THAT THERE IS STILL A LONG TIME BEFORE A SOLUTION IS ACHIEVED.

((ABU GHANNAM)) HOW DO YOU EXPECT THE GULF WAR TO PROCEED? WILL IT MAINTAIN ITS PRESENT STATUS, OR WILL THERE BE BLOODY CLASHES?

((FADLALLAH)) I BELIEVE THAT WIDE-SCALE BLOODY CLASHES ARE RULED OUT, IN VIEW OF THE POLITICAL FACTORS IMPOSED DURING THIS STAGE AT LEAST. I THINK THE AMERICAN PRESENCE IN THE GULF, IN SUCH A GREAT PARADE, AND WHICH HAS ALSO INVOLVED SOME OF THE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, IS NOW FACING A CRITICAL SITUATION BECAUSE IT WAS NOT ABLE TO ACHIEVE ANYTHING ON THE GULF WAR LEVEL, MOREOVER IT FAILED TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM OF FREE NAVIGATION. WHAT WAS TAKING PLACE WAS A SORT OF LIMITED OPERATION WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF IRAQI RAIDS ON IRANIAN TANKERS. WE KNOW THAT THE U.S. ENTERED THE GULF UNDER THE MOTTO OF PROTECTING THE KUWAITI TANKERS, BUT LATER IT WAS CORNERED BY MOUNTING POLITICAL PRESSURES AT HOME AND IN THE WORLD. THIS ROLE OF PROTECTING THE KUWAITI TANKERS FELL SHORT OF THIS GREAT MILITARY PARADE. I EXPLAIN THE ATTACK AGAINST THE IRANIAN TANKER BY THE AMERICAN HELICOPTERS AS AN ATTEMPT TO "SHOW THE AMERICAN FLAG" IN THE GULF. YOU MUST RECALL THAT THE

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U.S. DID NOT, AT THE TIME OF THE ATTACK, PROVIDE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROOF. THIS WOULD SEEM TO INDICATE THAT THE U.S. IS LOOKING FOR ANY PRETEXT OR INCIDENT WHICH CAN BE SHOWN IN THE "INFORMATION LEVEL", OR TO INDICATE THAT ITS PRESENCE IN THE GULF IS BENEFICIAL AND EFFECTIVE. I THINK THAT PARTIAL INCIDENTS IN CERTAIN BATTLE-FIELDS WILL TAKE PLACE BUT WILL NOT LEAD TO A GREAT WAR, BECAUSE THERE ARE INTERNATIONAL RED LINES, AND EACH INTERNATIONAL GROUP WILL STAY WITHIN PRESCRIBED BORDERS.

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